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By Representative Pearson

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1 On page 49, after line 11, insert the following:

- "NEW SECTION. Sec. 28. (1) The department of social and health services juvenile rehabilitation administration will convene a work group to review current practices in juvenile sentencing for vehicle theft-related offenses and make recommendations to the legislature for improvements in sentencing to reduce recidivism and the occurrence of new vehicle thefts.
 - (2) The work group shall include the following:
- (a) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate;
 - (b) One member from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;
 - (c) A representative from the Washington association of prosecuting attorneys;
- (d) A representative of the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs;
 - (e) A representative of Washington counties;
 - (f) A representative of Washington cities; and
 - (g) A representative from the juvenile court administrators.
- (3) The work group may seek the assistance of experts as needed, including in the areas of substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, offender treatment alternatives, and research in juvenile sentencing issues.
 - (4) The work group duties shall include:
- (a) A review of the current laws for sentencing of offenses related to vehicle thefts;
- 28 (b) A review of the Washington data on vehicle thefts, arrests, 29 and convictions for offenses related to vehicle thefts;

1 (c) A review of research, data, and best practices for sentencing in juvenile court; 2

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- (d) Development of recommendations to the legislature to improve the prosecution, adjudication, and dispositions for juveniles adjudicated of theft-related vehicle offenses that will reduce future offenses and recidivism.
- 7 (5) The work group shall report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2007." 8
- 9 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively, correct the 10 internal references accordingly, correct the title.

EFFECT: Requires the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration to create a work group to review juvenile sentencing issues related to motor vehicle theft offenses and report recommendations to the Legislature to improve the prosecution, adjudication, and dispositions for such offenses.